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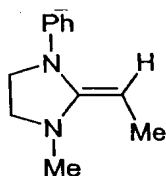
FOR: PROCESS FOR PREPARING METAL COMPLEXES FO GROUPS 6 TO 10
OF THE PERIODIC TABLE AND THE USE THEREOF AS CATALYSTS

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Sir:

In response to the Election Requirement dated January 16, 2008, Applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, and for examination purposes only, the compound of the following formula, as indicated in the Table on page 6 of the application specification:



As the single disclosed metal, Applicants elect the metal: Pd

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.